

May 2013 Meeting Minutes

The May meeting was called the order by President Bryan Reightley at 6:40.

Bryan introduced the officers:

- **President** - Bryan Reightley
- **Vice President** - Brian Richardson
- **Secretary** - Tim Baird - arrived quite late
- **Treasurer** - Ron Swift
- **Safety Officer** - Vince Bell
- **Field Manager** - Jay Bell
- **Newsletter Editor** - Ron Swift
- **Web Master** - Ron Rueter - Welcome Back!

Visitors and New Members - I was told we had a visitor but the secretary did not get his name.

Secretary's report - A motion was entered to accept the minutes as they were. This was seconded and unanimously accepted.

VP's Report -The next event will be the Open House and Charity Auction on June 8th and will be run by Ron Swift. This will run From 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM and will also include the charity auction.

Treasurer's Report - Ron Swift Reported that we have the funds in hand enough to last the year. The treasury is in good shape. He also reported our membership stands at 31 members.

Safety Officer's Report - Vince Bell had nothing new to report but reminded us all to remain aware of our surroundings.

Field Manager's Report -Please feel free to mow the field if it needs it.

Newsletter Editor's Report - Ron Swift is still doing a fine job of getting the newsletter out on time. Please send any photos you may have of the field and activities

Webmaster's report - Ron Rueter is back for the season. Ron does a bang up job with the website. Checkout Bryan's video of the dive bombing manta rays.

Announcements: Don't forget the Boeing B-17 Aluminum Overcast visit at Paine Field.

Old Business:

- a. AMA Flying Site Grant Application
 - i. BBMAC received the site improvement grant in full. (Special thanks to Rick for providing the financial reporting used as part of the application.) This also means we are expected to give updates on the progress of our field every 6 months until done.
- b. Flying Field status.
 - i. A meeting has been scheduled with Arleen for Sunday the 19th. The board expects at that time to finalize terms for renting the field (or not) through April 2014. Possible outcomes range from adding 5/8" minus rock to the access road as rent payment to vacating the field immediately.

The board's position:

- ii. It is the board's recommendation the club should continue occupying the present field with Arleen's acceptance of BBMAC requested conditions listed below. (The board believes not having a club field to fly from would be detrimental to the club.)
- iii. It is also the board's position if our landlords acceptance of the following conditions (in some reasonable form) is not met the club should vacate the field immediately without paying any form of rent. (If terms cannot be agreed upon the board believes our situation will only deteriorate so why bother paying anything to stay.)
- iv. Board recommended conditions are as follows:

- a. Agreed days of the week for locking the gate at FRB shall be Mon. & Wed. (Tues will be reserved as a negotiable item.)
- b. FBR gate to remain unlocked Thurs - Sun and the second Tues. of each month June - Sept. Aircraft will not be flown while Hero's are present.
- c. The gate at hwy 2 will never be locked.
- d. 24 yards of 5/8" minus rock placed and graded by BBMAC will suffice as rent through April 2014. BBMAC shall vacate prior to the end of April.

The goal here is to maintain use of the flying field for the next year for as little money possible giving the club time to locate and develop a new flying site. But not just a new site but The Site that we can call home for a long time to come.

A club vote after discussing the board's recommendation will determine what the board presents to Arleen when we meet this Sunday.

Because BBMAC will lose all ability to hold our landlord accountable once rent is paid. Do we want to consider the timing for paying the rent and possible benefits for the club?

- Option 1 - place rock Oct. 1st.
- Option 2 - pay \$500 in cash 5/19.
- Option 3 - pay \$700 in cash 10/1.)
- Option 4 - Presented by the club - pay month to month as we need to use the field. That way we do not need to ask for any money back when we leave.

Also suggest during the discussion: Do we want to approach this as we present what we want and she can 'take it or leave it' or present some options that we can negotiate?

One other concern is that is if we lay the 5/8 minus and the horses are then able to walk on Hanners' highway, will we then have to deal with opening and closing the 4th gate?

Other points of conversation:

- Paying for and using for half a year would be acceptable
- We should lay the gravel on our own schedule to use if needed should our landlord break the conditions of our new lease agreement.
- We still have no way to control the situation she owns the land.
- The board agrees that we should delay the payments until the end of the year to use against our landlord, if needed.

c. Motions from the club membership

- i. Motion 1 (Chet - 2nd: Dick B) : We offer to purchase 24 yards 5/8 minus or pay Arlene the current cost of 24 yards 5/8 minus (\$750) with the understanding that this is a take it or leave it offer, she accepts or we walk.

This was passed without dissent

- ii. Motion 2 (Ron R - 2nd Tim S.): We propose FBR Gate unlocked Thursday - Sunday and the second Tuesday of each month, At a minimum

This was withdrawn

- iii. Motion 3 (Ron R - 2nd (Chet): our presenter negotiates the best possible schedule for FBR access with absolutely no backslides.

This passed without dissent

d. New flying field Committee

- i. Request more club members become active in the search.
- ii. Update on options to date.

1. Chet's discussion with Dale and Art.
 - a. Dale has not returned Chet's email, yet, but suggested in a conversation that we should talk to Remlinger farms
 2. Cascade (Ron S.) Nice Field and nice idea but cost is prohibitive
 3. Waste Management may have a lot we could look into around 132nd and hwy 9. The name Joe Bishard was mentioned as a contact.
 4. It was also suggested that we concentrate our search to areas East of Snohomish and South of Hwy 2.
- e. Personal contact information
- i. There has been no movement with this subject.

New Business: None at this time

Program: Builder's Contest

Ron Swift brought in his Beechcraft Musketeer. This airplane took a long time to get completed but looked great in the end.

Dick B brought a well built and displayed TameCat.

After all the dust settle and voting completed Ron won.

The meeting officially adjourned at 8:37 PM. The next meeting is Tuesday, June 11th, 2013, at our flying field in Sultan at 6:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Tim Baird, Secretary, thanks to notes from Vince Bell.